

March 1891

Sunday March 1<sup>st</sup>

6:25 in cave.

(Sampson's Palace Route, 1 trip)

At 1:00 P.M. J.M. Moore arrived from Hot Springs. At 3:20 P.M. M.A. Moore, Father & I started in the cave with the intention of getting some geodes & crystallized box work. We went the Monte Cristo Branch of the Sampson's Palace Route. At Monte Cristo's Palace we stopped about an hour & got some fine geodes (on our way in). At Mound Builders Last Resting Place we got some good pieces of Crystallized Box work. We got out of the cave at 9:45 P.M.

Monday March 2<sup>nd</sup>

Elmer has been getting wood today & I have been trying to keep the stove warm. J.M. & M.A. Moore left us for Hot Springs about 1:00 P.M. this morning. Capt. Willard made us a visit this afternoon & reports stock looking well.

Tuesday March 3<sup>rd</sup>

9:40 in cave

(Monument Hall Route 2 trips)

At 6:00 o'clock this morning I came well nigh freezing up, I don't know how cold it was but imagined about 40° below zero Fahrenheit. At 9:20 A.M. Father & I started in the cave to do some blasting between Roes Mirey & Red Hall on the Monument Hall Route. We put in 1,10 inch hole in with success & by the time we got it cleaned & got out of that cave it was 1:30 P.M. At 2:25 Father & I started in the cave again to work in the same place as in the forenoon. We put in 1,11 inch hole with success & found a beautiful crystal with both calcite and quartz in it. After cleaning out the first shot one put a foot hole in the rock just through the crystals from Roes Mirey. We got out at 7:55 P.M.